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SUBJECT: LHP REPORTS SECRETARY'S REMARKS ON RECOGNITION
OF PRC

REF TAIPEI 6192

1. SUMMARY: OCTOBER 6 LIEN HO PAO REPORTED "STATE
DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL/ AS STATING SECRETARY KISSINGER HAD
TOLD JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER KIMURA US IS "NOT EAGER
TO ESTABLISH FULL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS" WITH THE PRC AND
THAT US' "BASIC ATTITUDE TOWARD PEKING WILL REMAIN
UNCHANGED." SEPARATE ARTICLE IN OCTOBER 5 CHUNG KUO SHIH
PAO REPORTED SENATOR HIRAM FONG SAID THE ESTABLISHMENT
OF FORMAL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN WASHINGTON AND
PEKING WOULD PROBABLY TAKE "ONE HUNDRED YEARS." BOTH
ARTICLES NATURALLY PLEASING TO LOCAL AUDIENCE. ONLY
COMMENTARY TO DATE HAS BEEN ENGLISH LANGUAGE CHINA POST
EDITORIAL CLAIMING SECRETARY HAD "UNEQUIVOCALLY"
DECLARED US IS NOT PLANNING FORMAL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS
WITH PEKING, BUT LIKELY THERE WILL BE ADDITIONAL PICK-UP.

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REQUEST DEPARTMENT SEND BY PRIORITY CABLE INFORMATION RE

SECRETARY'S COMMENTS TO KIMURA OR COMMENTS BY US OFFICIAL
TO LHP REPORTER. END SUMMARY.

2. LIEN HO PAO, SUNDAY OCTOBER 6, CARRIED ARTICLE BY ITS
WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT, SHIH K'O-MIN, (COMET SHIH) STATING A
"RELIABLE, RELATED OFFICIAL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE"
HAD DISCLOSED SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER
TOLD JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER KIMURA ON SEPTEMBER 28 THAT
US WILL "NOT BE IN A HURRY TO NORMALIZE RELATIONS WITH
PEKING" AND "IS NOT EAGER TO ESTABLISH FORMAL DIPLOMATIC
RELATIONS." THE REPORT ALSO SAID SECRETARY KISSINGER
STATED THE US " " BASIC ATTITUDE TOWARD PEKING WILL REMAIN
UNCHANGED" AND AT THE REQUEST OF THE USG, THE DISCUSSIONS
BETWEEN KISSINGER AND KIMURA WERE NOT RECORDED. FULL TEXT
ARTICLE TRANSMITTED REFTEL.

3. LHP REPORT WAS NOT PICKED UP BY OTHER CHINESE LANGUAGE
PAPERS AS OF OCT 7 BUT ENGLISH LANGUAGE CHINA NEWS CARRIED
SUMMARY TRANSLATION OCT 6 AND ENGLISH LANGUAGE CHINA
POST EDITORIAL ON OCT 7 STATED "SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER
HAS JUST DECLARED UNEQUIVOCALLY THAT THE UNITED
STATES IS NOT PLANNING TO ESTABLISH FORMAL DIPLOMATIC
RELATIONS."

4. APPARENTLY UNRELATED ARTICLE IN CHUNG KUO SHIH PAO,
SATURDAY OCTOBER 5 BY CHOU CHIEH REPORTED AN EXCLUSIVE
INTERVIEW WITH SENATOR HIRAM FONG CONCERNING HIS FORTH-
COMING VISIT TO ROC. REPORTEDLY SENATOR FONG DISCUSSED
HIS MEETING WITH TENG HSIAOAPING AND CHIAO KUAN-HUA DURING
HIS RECENT TRIP TO THE PRC. ACCORDING TO CHOU, AS A
RESULT OF LENGTHY DISCUSSION; IN PRC FONG CONCLUDED US
"WILL TAKE A LONG TIME--PROBABLY A HUNDRED YEARS-- TO
ESTABLISH FULL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS," WITH THE PRC--
BECAUSE IT WILL TAKE THAT LONG TO SOLVE TAIWAN ISSUE.

5. FOMIN SHEN SAID HE UNAWARE OF BACKGROUND OF LHP ARTICLE WHEN
QUERIED BY AMBASSADOR.

6. WE ASSUME THAT FURTHER COMMENTARY OR ELABORATION WILL
APPEAR DURING THE WEEK PRAISING STATEMENTS ATTRIBUTED
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TO THE SECRETARY AND SENATOR FONG. REQUEST DEPARTMENT
SUPPLY BY PRIORITY CABLE ANY INFORMATION ON SECRETARY'S
COMMENTS TO KIMURA RE US CHINA POLICY AND/OR
COMMENTS BY US OFFICIAL TO SHIH K'O-MIN.
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